

The [Kentucky Youth and Children's listserv](#) covers youth services news, programming, and continuing education. To join, email [krista.king-oaks@ky.gov](mailto:krista.king-oaks@ky.gov) and ask to be added.

### Upcoming Webinars with KDLA

#### 35 Arts Programs in 60 Minutes

Register: <https://kdla.wufoo.com/forms/s1w3pi611yh8b46/>

- Wednesday, February 20
- 1 p.m. EST/12 p.m. CST
- Presenter: Jessy Griffith, Teen Services Librarian, Kenton County Public Library
- Art workshops are a great way to build communities with and between teens! Our patrons want arts programming, but sometimes it can feel like we're doing the same craft over and over. Come chat about new ideas and new approaches to library crafts that also foster critical developmental assets and the social-emotional needs of modern teens.

#### Reading BeTWEEN the Lines: How to Reach and Serve the Tweens in Your Library

Register: <https://kdla.wufoo.com/forms/shkm7ma075wr74/>

- Wednesday, February 27
- 2 p.m. EST/3 p.m. CST
- Presenter: Jill Fraser, Children's Librarian, Kenton County Public Library
- Tweens are one of the toughest demographics to reach in the library—between storytimes and teen programs they are often forgotten and slip through the cracks. Not to mention they can be daunting to work with for many children's librarians! Jill Fraser, Children's Librarian at the Erlanger Branch of the Kenton County Public Library, will discuss how she has implemented successful tween programming at her library. She will share development strategies, program successes and failures, and her tips and tricks for working with these often-underserved patrons.

All webinars are recorded and a direct link to the recording shared with those registered. For more, go to [KDLA's Archived Webinars page](#). *This project was made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.*

### Summer Reading Updates

How to ask for prize donations via [The 5 Minute Librarian](#)

#### Dollar General Summer Reading Grant – Deadline February 21

[www.dgliteracy.org/grant-programs](http://www.dgliteracy.org/grant-programs)

Applications are now open for the Dollar General Summer Reading Grant and the Dollar General Family Literacy Grant. Summer Reading Grants of up to \$3000 are available to libraries and organizations that:

- Target Pre-K – 12th grade students who are new readers
- Target below grade level readers
- Assist readers with learning disabilities

#### National Summer Learning Week - July 8-13<sup>th</sup>

Find programming ideas, register an event or program and learn more at:

<https://www.summerlearning.org/summer-learning-week/>.

The following recordings of new summer reading content is now available on KDLA's Archived Webinars website:

<https://kdla.ky.gov/librarians/staffdevelopment/kdlaarchivedwebinars/Pages/default.aspx>

### ***Summer Reading in Rural Libraries***

- Duration: 1 hour
- Presenters:
  - Holly Daugherty, Youth Services Librarian, McCreary County Public Library
  - Rhonda Kendzioriski, Bookmobile Librarian, McCreary County Public Library
- Description: In a county of 17,000, the library had between 300 and 400 children participate in their latest summer reading program. Join the presenters to learn how to run a successful summer reading program on a budget in a rural county, and how it can be adapted to fit other communities and demographics. No fear, as summer reading topics from start to finish will be discussed including strategic planning, scheduling staff and programs, tracking statistics, marketing and promotion, as well as bookmobile and outreach partnerships.

### ***Stronger Together: Developing School and Library Partnerships***

- Duration: 1 hour
- Presenter: Bookie Wilson, Youth Services Librarian, Woodford County Public Library
- Description: Wondering how to initiate a partnership with your local school system? Join Bookie Wilson, Assistant Youth Services Librarian at the Woodford County Library, as she shares tips and suggestions to initiate or grow a successful collaboration with your schools and school system.

### ***Rethinking Summer Reading: Our Journey from Ordinary to Outstanding***

- Duration: 1 hour
- Presenters: Suzanne Banta & Tess Valentine – Henry County Public Library
- Description: Summer Reading at the Henry County Public Library became Summer Learning in 2017 and has expanded to include writing, science, math, engineering, art, and more to combat summer slide. Participants in our program complete special activities to earn badges like the Storyteller and Henry County Hero. In this session, Suzanne and Tess will talk about the journey to begin this program, currently in its second year, share the how's and why's of the program structure, and discuss the many successes and a few failures.

P.S. The [Collaborative Summer Library Program](#) will be releasing [webinars](#) on the 2019 program manuals – more details are forthcoming. Until then, check out recordings from our neighbors at the [Indiana State Library](#).

### **Regional Program Sharing Workshops**

Please find below dates and locations of upcoming workshops; while emphasis will be on youth services, all programming librarians are welcome (agendas will be forthcoming). If there is not a workshop near you, and your library would be interested in hosting a programmers meeting for your [region](#) or immediate county area, please contact me off list. KDLA can assist your meeting through promotions, approving agendas for continuing education credit, and attendance by the youth services consultant or regional consultant (schedule permitting). Meetings do not have to revolve around summer reading – but it is a popular topic!

- Friday, March 8  
10 a.m. CST  
Location: McLean County Public Library  
Topic: Share & See with Science in Play 2 Go  
RSVP: Angela Smith, [mcleanoutreachprograms@gmail.com](mailto:mcleanoutreachprograms@gmail.com)
- Thursday, February 28  
12 p.m. EST  
Location: Jessamine County Public Library  
Topic: Performers Roundtable/Programming & Booking for Summer Reading  
RSVP: Kate Irwin, [kirwin@jesspublib.org](mailto:kirwin@jesspublib.org)
- Friday, March 1  
10 a.m. EST  
Location: Lexington Public Library, Northside Branch  
Topic: All Ages, All Programmers welcome! Programming & Marketing Trends & Tips!  
RSVP: Natalie Davis, [ndavis@lexpublib.org](mailto:ndavis@lexpublib.org)
- Monday, March 4  
9 a.m. CST  
Location: Adair County Public Library  
Topics: Summer Reading Sharing  
RSVP: Lee Ann Jesse, [eanj2@yahoo.com](mailto:eanj2@yahoo.com)
- Friday, March 15  
10 a.m. EST  
Location: Bell County Public Library, Pineville Branch  
Topic: Summer Reading Sharing  
RSVP: Jeanna Cornett, [director@bellcpl.org](mailto:director@bellcpl.org)
- Friday, April 5  
10 a.m. EST  
Location: Martin County Public Library  
Topic: Summer Reading Sharing  
RSVP: Tiffany Reynolds, [tiffany.reynolds@ky.gov](mailto:tiffany.reynolds@ky.gov)

### Kentucky News

#### **GOEC Receives \$10.6 Million Federal Preschool Development Grant**

<https://kentucky.gov/Pages/Activity-stream.aspx?n=EducationCabinet&prId=285>

### New KDLA Resources

Four KBA (Kentucky Book Awards) Kits for youth are ready for promotion and circulation—

- **2018 KBA Preschool Kit** - <https://kdl.a.on.worldcat.org/oclc/1079363708>
- **2019 KBA Preschool Kit** - <https://kdl.a.on.worldcat.org/oclc/1079365790>

- **2018 KBA K-2 Kit** - <https://kdla.on.worldcat.org/oclc/1079366008>
- **2019 KBA K-2 Kit** - <https://kdla.on.worldcat.org/oclc/1079366017>

### ALA News

#### **ALA, Grow with Google kick off economic opportunity initiative in public libraries nationwide**

The Grow with Google tour will consist of free, one-day events hosted at local libraries in cities and towns across the country, where Grow with Google experts will deliver in-person workshops for job seekers, small businesses, and library staff.

Kentucky's own McCracken County is featured in the campaign's video. Check it out on YouTube: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ecf3\\_AEPMAE&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR3cgg19xyRAch4OIUtsTSwXFyTN9EyG15eIFTBkGCaMjbbSZvC695r4q8k](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ecf3_AEPMAE&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR3cgg19xyRAch4OIUtsTSwXFyTN9EyG15eIFTBkGCaMjbbSZvC695r4q8k)

To learn more about the tour and [Libraries Lead with Digital Skills](#) and check for open application dates as they are announced, visit [ala.org/pla/initiatives/google](http://ala.org/pla/initiatives/google). Follow the conversation at #GrowWithGoogle and @ALALibrary

### Library Tools & Trends

**Celebrate Black History Month** via [Reading is Fundamental](#)

**How to do just about everything in 2019** via [100 Scope Notes Blog](#)

**Storytime Blahs** via [ALSC Blog](#)

#### **National Engineers Week - February 17-23**

Founded by the National Society of Professional Engineers in 1951, "EWeek" is dedicated to ensuring a diverse and well-educated future engineering workforce by increasing understanding of and interest in engineering and technology careers. Celebrate with activities and other programming resources collected by STAR Net Libraries: [www.starnetlibraries.org/engineers-week](http://www.starnetlibraries.org/engineers-week)

### Training Spotlight

#### **Big Talk From Small Libraries 2019**

Friday, Feb 22, 7:45am-4pm

Registration: <http://nlcblogs.nebraska.gov/bigtalk/registration/>

This FREE one-day event is a great opportunity to learn about the innovative things your colleagues are doing in their small libraries. GoToWebinar login instructions will be e-mailed to registered attendees the day before the conference.

#### **Take 5: We're All in This Together**

Friday, May 3

Registration is just \$25: [www.surveymonkey.com/r/Take5\\_2019](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Take5_2019).

Take 5 is a day of dialogue and discovery for public library teen and youth services specialists, school librarians, and other youth advocates. Take 5 is a peer-to-peer event, planned and produced by collaborating librarians with support from host libraries. Take 5 is also supported by the State Library

with federal funds from the Institute of Museum and Library Services. The event takes place at a different Ohio location each spring. This year, attendees will explore trauma informed care for teens and adults, mindfulness and attention, and workplace creativity; enjoy an Activity Fair (hands-on fun with tech toys, crafts, and more) and a delicious BBQ lunch (vegan and gluten-free options available); and hear from a panel of teen participants. Past attendees call Take 5 energizing, affirming, and inspiring. [Visit the Take 5 web page](#) and like the [Take 5 Facebook page](#).

### Important Dates/State & National Conferences

**Kentucky Public Library Association Spring Conference:** March 27-29, Lexington

**[NASA Workshop](#):** April 8-9, Kenton County Public Library, Erlanger

**[NAEYC Week of the Young Child](#),** April 8-12

**[American Library Association Annual Conference](#):** June 20-25, Washington D.C.

**[National Summer Learning Week](#):** July 8-13

**[Kentucky Association of School Librarians Summer Refresher](#):** July 15 & 16, Eminence

**Collaborative Summer Library Program Conference:** September 16-20, Indianapolis

**Kentucky Library Association Fall Conference:** October 15 & 16, Bowling Green

**[YALSA Symposium](#):** November 1-3, Memphis

### Just for Fun

**Cookie Monster's Hilarious Reddit Chat** via [Today](#)

(FYI – Sesame Street is celebrating 50 years on the air this year! Read more [here](#))